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In the Application of :

MARK ROBERT SIVIK ET AL. :

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For: Compositions and Methods for Using Polymeric Suds Enhancers

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir: /

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, record is being made below in a Form PTO-1449 of documents which the Patent Office may wish to consider in connection with examination of the above-identified patent application. It is respectfully requested that the cited documents be carefully considered by the Examiner and made of record in this case. As provided in §1.97(g), no representation is made or intended that a thorough art search was made. As provided in 37 C.F.R. §1.97(h), this Information Disclosure Statement does not constitute an admission of any kind, and specifically is not an admission that the documents listed on attached form PTO-1449 are, or are considered to be, material to the patentability of the above-identified patent application, as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b).

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This information disclosure statement is being submitted under 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (b)(3). Applicants have not received an Office Action on the merits in the present application. Therefore, no fee is believed to be due. However, in the event that this paper is crossing in the mail with a first Office Action on the merits, authorization is hereby given to charge the required fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c) and 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) to Deposit Account No. 16-2480 in the name of The Procter & Gamble Company. A duplicate of this letter is enclosed to facilitate charging of the fee, if necessary.

Copies of all said documents, except documents: U.S. 5,532,023, EP 173,259 and WO 98/32831, were submitted and considered in parent application U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/320,834, filed May 26, 1999. Applicant(s) claim priority to said application under 35 U.S.C. §120. Accordingly, copies of all documents listed on the PTO-1449 (except as noted above) are not provided with this Statement, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d). Copies have been provided for the Examiner's convenience of documents highlighted on the PTO-1449 which were not included in the parent application. It is respectfully requested that the cited documents be carefully considered by the Examiner and made of record in this case.

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